

State of Hawai'i
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION COMMISSION

The Crime Victim Compensation Commission was established on July 1, 1967 and is governed by Chapter 351, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. The Commission helps victims with crime-related costs. Funding sources include fees from offenders, inmate wages, federal grant funds, and reimbursement from restitution payments.

Who can get help?

You can get help if you were involved in a covered crime* that occurred in the jurisdiction of Hawai'i and you are:

- A victim who suffered injury.
- A person responsible for the maintenance of the victim who has suffered monetary loss because of the victim's death or injury.
- A person engaged in business or educational activity at the scene of a mass casualty (mental health counseling expenses only).
- A relative of a deceased victim who has incurred medical or funeral expenses as the result of the victim's death or injury.
- A dependent of a deceased victim.
- A Hawai'i resident who is a victim of an act of international terrorism.

* Covered Crimes

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| • Murder | • Assault I – III |
| • Manslaughter | • Sexual Assault I – IV |
| • Negligent Homicide I and II | • Kidnapping |
| • Negligent Injury I and II | • Abuse of Family and Household Member |
| | • Sex Trafficking |
| | • International Terrorism |

If I am eligible, what benefits do I get?

You may receive compensation for:

- Medical and mental health counseling expenses that are not covered by other sources.
- Lost earnings or support that is not covered by other sources.
- Funeral and burial expenses that are not covered by other sources.
- Acknowledgement award for victims only. Acknowledgement awards are symbolic in nature and are awarded to acknowledge a victim's suffering, rather than to compensate for that suffering. Such awards are not intended to quantify physical/emotional losses suffered as a result of the crime and are based on the facts and circumstances of the crime and the severity of the criminal offense. The maximum acknowledgement award is \$400, subject to change at any time, based on the availability of funding.
- Pecuniary loss directly resulting from the injury or death of the victim.
- Property damage ("Good Samaritans" only).

No compensation will be awarded for lost property, telephone bills, copying costs, meals, parking, fees for late charges or filing fees.

The Commission is a payor of last resort. The Commission may pay compensation only after all other sources have been exhausted. An award may be reduced by amounts received from Workers' Compensation, Motor Vehicle Insurance, Civil Suits, Temporary Disability Insurance or Restitution from the offender. You must file timely claims with Workers' Compensation, Motor Vehicle Insurance, Temporary Disability Insurance and your medical insurance carrier. You must reimburse the Commission if you receive moneys from these sources.

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How do I apply?

- You must report the crime to law enforcement officials (police, naval investigative service, military police or Federal Bureau of Investigation) without undue delay.
- You must file an application with the Commission within 18 months of the crime date. Late applications will be accepted upon a showing of good cause.

You are responsible for....

1. Completely filling out and submitting the following:
 - A signed *Application Form* (Form #1).
 - A signed *Authorization to Release Medical/Mental Health Treatment Information Form* for each treatment provider (Form #2).
 - Proof to substantiate your claim (bills, receipts, insurance statements, and medical records).
2. If you are making a claim for lost wages:
 - Completely filling out and signing the *Authorization to Release Employment Information Form* and submitting it to your employer (Form #3).
 - Submitting proof to substantiate your claim for lost wages (pay stubs, Income Tax returns if self-employed, and a medical disability certificate) to the Commission.
3. If you were assaulted in a Motor Vehicle or injured as the result of a Motor Vehicle collision:
 - Contact your No-Fault Insurance provider and request that they cover your crime-related expenses.

What to expect from the Commission

- The Commission will attempt to secure law enforcement reports. This may take up to 2 months.
- You will receive a written decision and order either awarding compensation or denying your application.

Need more help? Contact the following:

Department of Public Safety, State of Hawai'i Crime Victim Compensation Commission (CVCC)

1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1530

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Phone: (808) 587-1143

Fax: (808) 587-1146

Web Page: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/cvcc>

County of Hawai'i

Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

Victim Witness Assistance Program

655 Kīlauea Avenue

Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Phone: (808) 934-3306

Fax: (808) 934-3517

West Hawai'i:

74-65 Kealahou Parkway

Kailua Kona, Hawai'i 96740

Phone: (808) 324-1066

Fax: (808) 322-6584

City & County of Honolulu

Department of the Prosecuting Attorney

Victim Witness Kokua Services

1060 Richards Street, 9th Floor

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Phone: (808) 768-7401

Fax: (808) 768-6417

Toll Free: 1-800-531-5538

Hearing Impaired: (808) 768-7404

County of Kaua'i

Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

Victim Witness Program

3990 Ka'ana Street, Suite 210

Līhu'e, Hawai'i 96766

Phone: (808) 241-1898

Fax: (808) 241-1758

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)

745 Fort Street Mall, Suite 303

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Phone: (808) 532-6232

Fax: (808) 532-6004

Neighbor Islands Toll Free: 1-800-578-6233

Web Page: <http://madd.org/hi>

Email: hi.state@madd.org

County of Maui

Department of the Prosecuting Attorney

Victim Witness Assistance Division

150 South High Street

Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793

Phone: (808) 270-7695

Fax: (808) 242-0922

APPLICATION FORM

For Office Use Only – Case #:

TYPE or PRINT in Black or Blue ink. Provide as much information as possible.

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Website: <http://dps.hawaii.gov/cvcc> E-mail: cvcc@hawaii.rr.com

VICTIM INFORMATION

Name _____
First Middle Last Home Phone: _____

Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip Cell/Pager: _____
Work Phone: _____
Email: _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Social Security No. ____-____-____

PLEASE CHECK:

Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female Disabled ☐ Yes ☐ No

Marital Status ☐ Married ☐ Single Were you visiting Hawai'i at the time of the incident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Check the one you believe represents your ethnicity:

☐ Black ☐ Chinese ☐ Filipino ☐ Hawaiian ☐ Portuguese ☐ Hispanic ☐ Other
☐ Samoan ☐ Japanese ☐ Korean ☐ White ☐ Puerto Rican ☐ Native American

APPLICANT INFORMATION (Complete only if you are applying for a Victim who is a minor, deceased, or is incapacitated.)

Applicant's relationship to victim: _____ Home Phone: _____
Cell/Pager: _____
Work Phone: _____
Email: _____

Name _____
First Middle Last

Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip

CRIME INFORMATION

Date of Crime _____ Type of Crime: (Assault, Sexual Assault, etc.) _____

Name of Suspect _____ Location of Crime _____
Last First Middle Street City Zip

Police Report No. _____

If incident was investigated by military police, provide the military police report no. and branch of service. _____

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Be sure to complete a Medical Authorization Form for each provider (doctor, hospital, or therapist) you saw due to the incident. In cases of death, provide the name of the mortuary or cemetery. Attach all bills, receipts, and insurance statements.

Name of Provider Address Service Date Total Charges

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Medical Insurance: _____ Member #: _____

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VICTIM EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION Complete only if claiming for Lost Wages

Did injury occur at work place? ☐ Yes ☐ No Did you miss work as a result of the injury? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Period of Absence: From _____ To _____
Month Day Year Month Day Year

Employer's Name _____ Phone No. _____

Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip

Job Title: _____ Rate of Pay: _____

INSURANCE / LEGAL INFORMATION

Check all potential sources of full or partial payment of expenses:

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeowner's Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welfare | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicare | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Worker's Compensation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | | |

Have you filed or do you intend to file a civil law suit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If Yes, please complete the following:

Attorney's Name _____ Telephone No. _____

Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE COMMISSION Please check:

- | | | | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital/Medical Personnel | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex Assault Counselor | <input type="checkbox"/> Police | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper | <input type="checkbox"/> Television |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecutor's Victim Witness | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Counselor | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | |

Name of Referring Victim Witness Advocate: _____

VICTIM CERTIFICATION & SIGNATURE

I certify that I have read this application and have provided information that is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the law provides for penalties for false statements. I will repay the Commission should I receive moneys from civil suits, restitution, or insurance payments.

Signature of Victim

Date

Signature of Applicant

Date

STATEMENT OF POLICY: It is the policy of the Department of Public Safety, Crime Victim Compensation Commission, that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or handicap, be excluded from participation in or subjected to discrimination when making their claim for compensation.

PLEASE CHECK BEFORE MAILING:

- ☐ Have you signed the *Application Form*?
- ☐ Have you provided us with your complete mailing address and telephone number(s)?
- ☐ Have you completed the information regarding the Police Report Number, Crime Date, and Type of Crime?
- ☐ Have you signed and submitted a *Medical Authorization Form* for each provider (doctor, hospital, clinic) that treated you?
- ☐ Have you submitted all of your medical bills, funeral bills, insurance statements and receipts?
- ☐ IF CLAIMING LOST WAGES, have you signed the *Employer Authorization Form* and submitted it to your employer?
 - ☐ Have you submitted your pay stubs for the two periods prior to the incident and your medical disability certificate?
 - ☐ If you are self-employed, have you submitted copies of your last two years' Federal and State tax returns?
- ☐ IF incident occurred in a MOTOR VEHICLE, have you contacted your motor vehicle insurance company?

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FORM #2

I, _____ (____/____/____) authorize the release of protected health information
from: _____
(name of patient) (Date of Birth)

Hospital/Doctor Name: _____

Hospital/Doctor Address: _____

This information is required to process a claim with the Crime Victim Compensation Commission.

The Crime Victim Compensation Commission (Commission), requests all protected medical records and reports (x-rays not required) and an itemized statement of expenses, including any insurance payments, provider adjustments and/or patient payments

for the period: ____/____/____ to present.
(Date of Crime)

Specifically, the Commission also requests:

- Substance abuse treatment records
- Mental Health treatment records
- Sexually transmitted diseases including AIDS and HIV

The Commission releases the above named provider, its employees, agents, and staff physicians from all liability and all claims of any nature pertaining to the disclosure of information described above. This information is solely for use in the Commission's determination of eligibility for payment of your services and will not be re-disclosed to third parties.

The requested records are required to substantiate treatment and charges. The Commission will not pay for documents/copying fees. Federal Public Law 103-322 (H.R. 3355) Section 230202, provides that the Commission should be considered last payor and not a third party liability. Therefore, all insurance claims should be filed accordingly. If the insurance carrier denied the claim, please submit the denial document.

Authorization by the signatory is voluntary and may be revoked at any time upon receipt of written notice. Additionally, the service provider will not use this form to set as conditions for treatment, payment, enrollment, or eligibility for benefits except as allowed under federal privacy laws for: 1) research-related treatment, 2) health care provided solely for disclosure to a third party, or 3) health plan initial enrollment/eligibility determinations, underwriting, or risk rating determinations.

Patient Name: _____ Relation to Patient: _____
(or legal guardian if Patient is a minor or incapacitated)

Signature of Patient/Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Legal authorization to serve as "designated patient representative": _____

Copy of documentation obtained for permanent record: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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FORM #3

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

This Section should be completed by the **APPLICANT** and given to your **EMPLOYER** for completion.

I, _____, [DOB: _____, SSN: _____]

(Victim's First Name, M.I., Last Name)

authorize my employer, _____

(Full Name and Complete Mailing Address of Employer)

to release information to the Crime Victim Compensation Commission (CVCC) regarding my absence from work based on an incident which occurred on _____.

Signature

Date

After completing the top portion of this form, please give the form to your employer to complete and return to the Commission.

This Section should be completed by the **EMPLOYER** and returned to the **Crime Victim Compensation Commission**.

Employee's Job Title: _____.

The Employee was absent from _____ to _____ and returned to work on _____.

He/She was scheduled to work on (specify days/dates employee was scheduled to work during this period) _____.

During the above period of absence, the employee **would have received** \$ _____ in gross earnings,

Based on \$ _____ per hour, _____ hours per day, _____ days per week.

Did the employee receive any of the following benefits?

(Please indicate gross amounts received. If **not eligible**, please indicate reason(s) for denial.)

Vacation Leave / Sick Pay \$ _____ Dates received for/Denial Reason: _____

Paid Holidays \$ _____ Dates received for/Denial Reason: _____

Temporary Disability \$ _____ Dates received for/Denial Reason: _____

Workers' Compensation \$ _____ Dates received for/Denial Reason: _____

Form Completed by: (Please PRINT or TYPE)

(Name of Person Completing Form)

(Title of Person Completing Form)

Signature _____

Telephone Number _____

Date Completed _____

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